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SONIC?

THE HEDGEHOG AND EGGMAN... FRIENDS?



PREPARATIONS FOR WAR!

STAY OUT
OF THIS, SONIC!
MY FIGHT ISN'T
WITH YOU
TODAY!

AS
COMFORTING
AS THAT IS TO
KNOW, DOC, I
DON'T HAVE
TIME FOR
YOU RIGHT
NOW!

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Knuckles'
Warrior Love

SONIC THE HEDGEHOG
Hero of Mobius

DR. IVO "EGGMAN"
ROBOTNIK
World-Conquering
Mad Scientist

YOUR
INFERNAL
ARTIFICIAL
INTELLIGENCE,
NICOLE,
DENIED ME
MY ULTIMATE
VICTORY!*

MY EGG NAUTILUS'
TENTACLES WILL UPLOAD
MY BEST COMPUTER
VIRUS AND ERASE
HER FOREVER!

YEAH--NOT
LETTING
THAT
HAPPEN!

*SEE STH #175-177
FOR THE WHOLE
EPIC ADVENTURE!

INSTEAD
OF WASTING
MY TIME HERE,
YOU OUGHT TO
BE PREPPING
YOUR
BUNKER!

WHAT
ARE YOU
YAMMERING
ABOUT,
RODENT?

CUT
THAT
OUT!

WE JUST
GOT WORD
THAT ENERJAK
IS COMING
BACK. I'M SURE
YOU'VE GOT A
FILE ON HIM
OR SOMETHING.

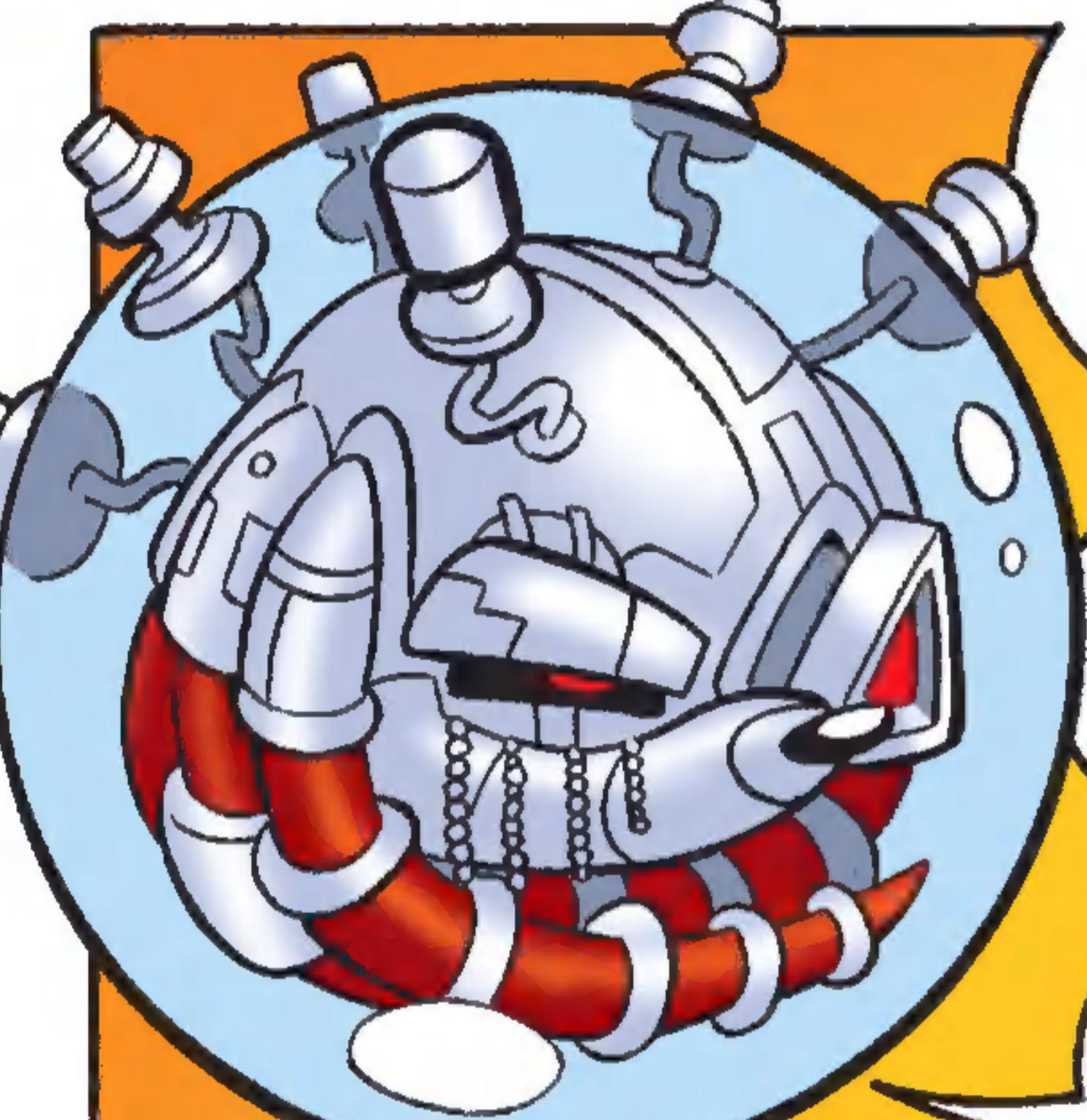
INCOMPLETE
FILES. TELL ME
EVERYTHING
YOU KNOW.

NOW THAT THE COUNCIL OF ACORN HAS GATHERED, YOU HAVE THE FLOOR, MR. DIMITRI. TELL US EVERYTHING YOU KNOW ABOUT THIS "ENERJAK" PERSON.

OF COURSE, KING ELIAS.

IT LOOKS LIKE SONIC HAS STALLED HIM, SALLY.

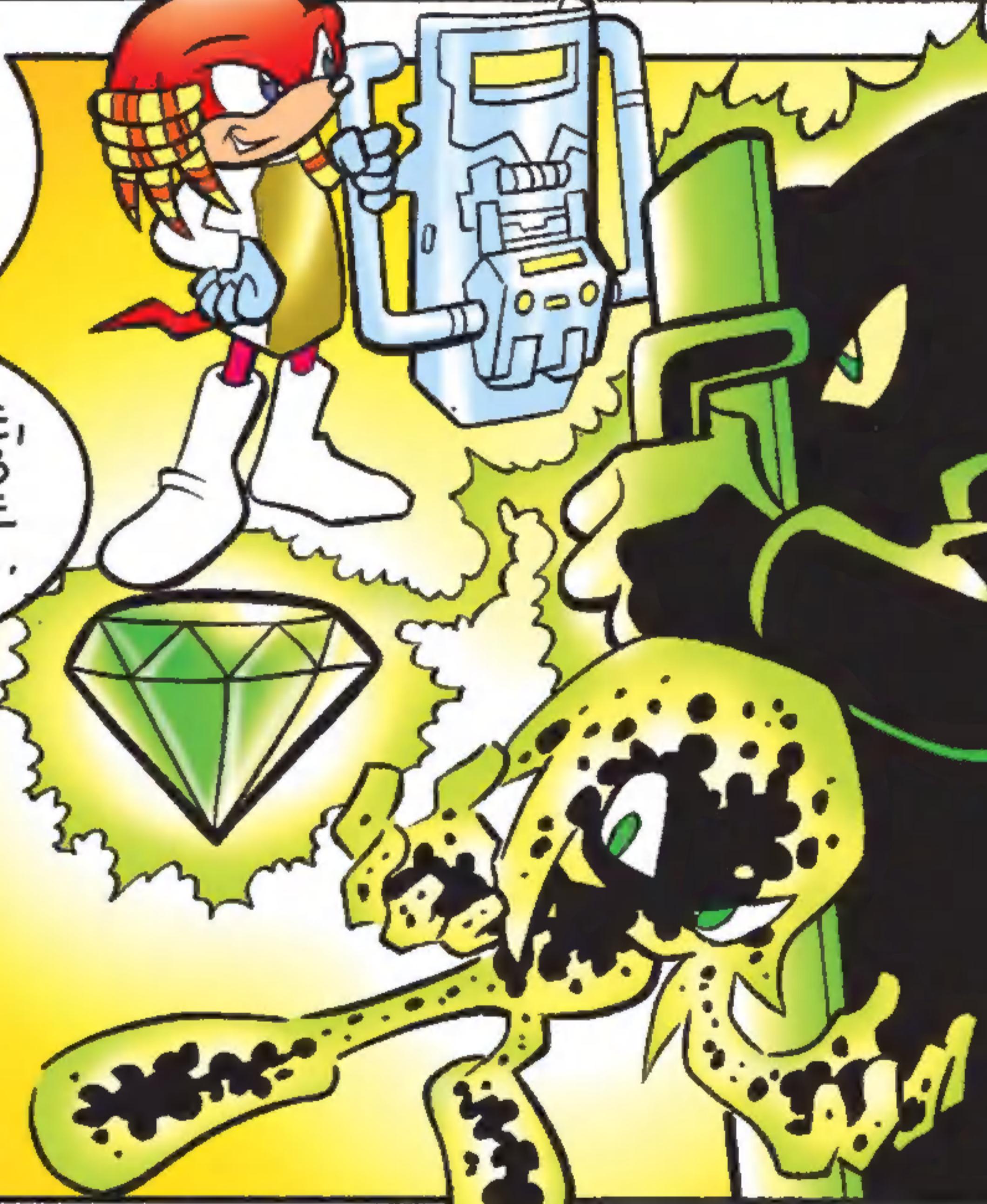
I KNEW HE WOULD. KEEP ME POSTED, NICOLE.



I WAS ENERJAK AT ONE POINT MYSELF. UNDERSTAND THAT AGES AGO, I WAS A BRILLIANT CHAOS SCIENTIST...

IN MY ARROGANCE, I TRIED TO ABSORB THE POWERS OF THE CHAOS EMERALDS...

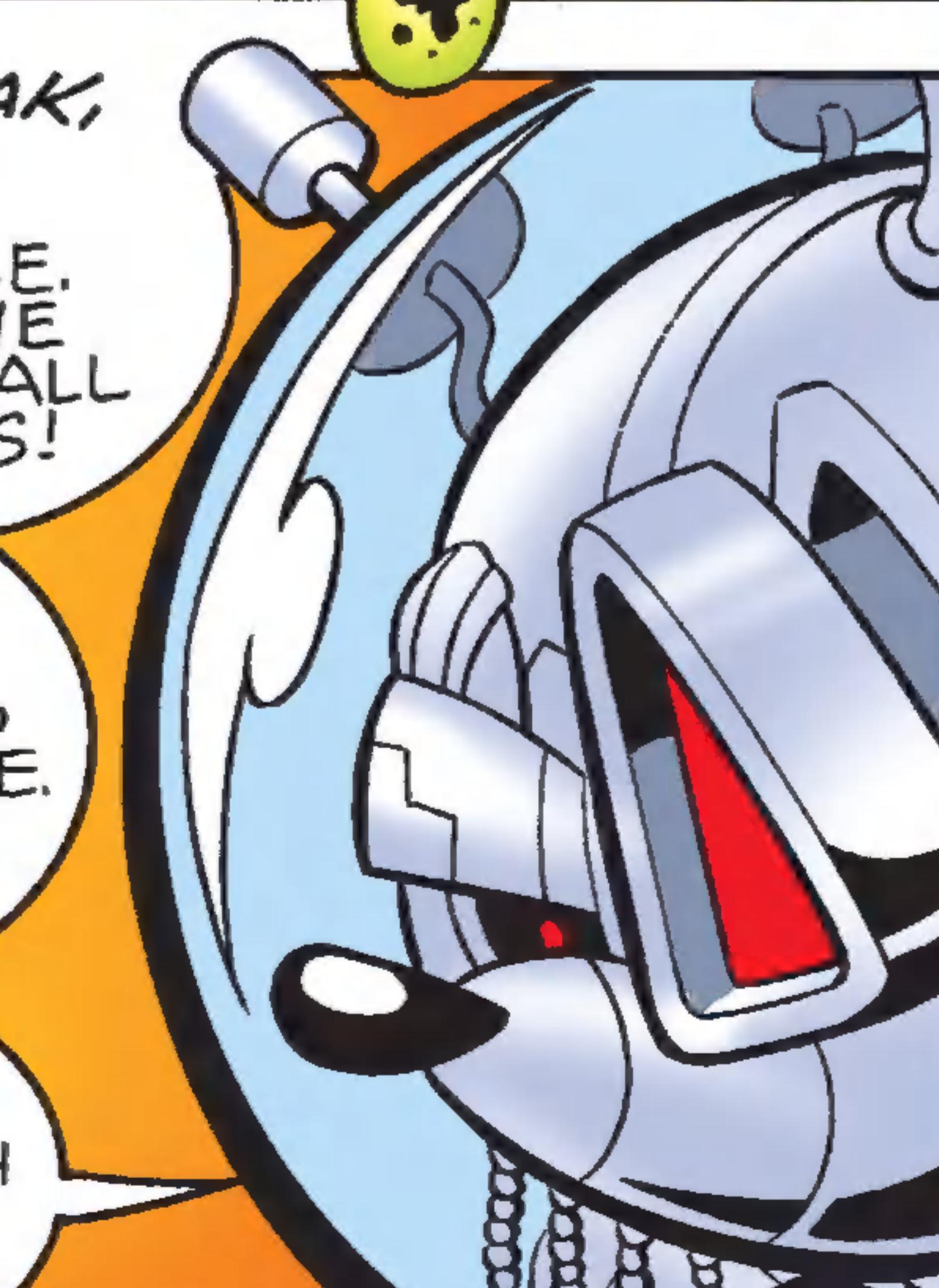
...AND I WAS TRANSFORMED. I WAS NO MERE "PERSON!" I WAS A GOD.



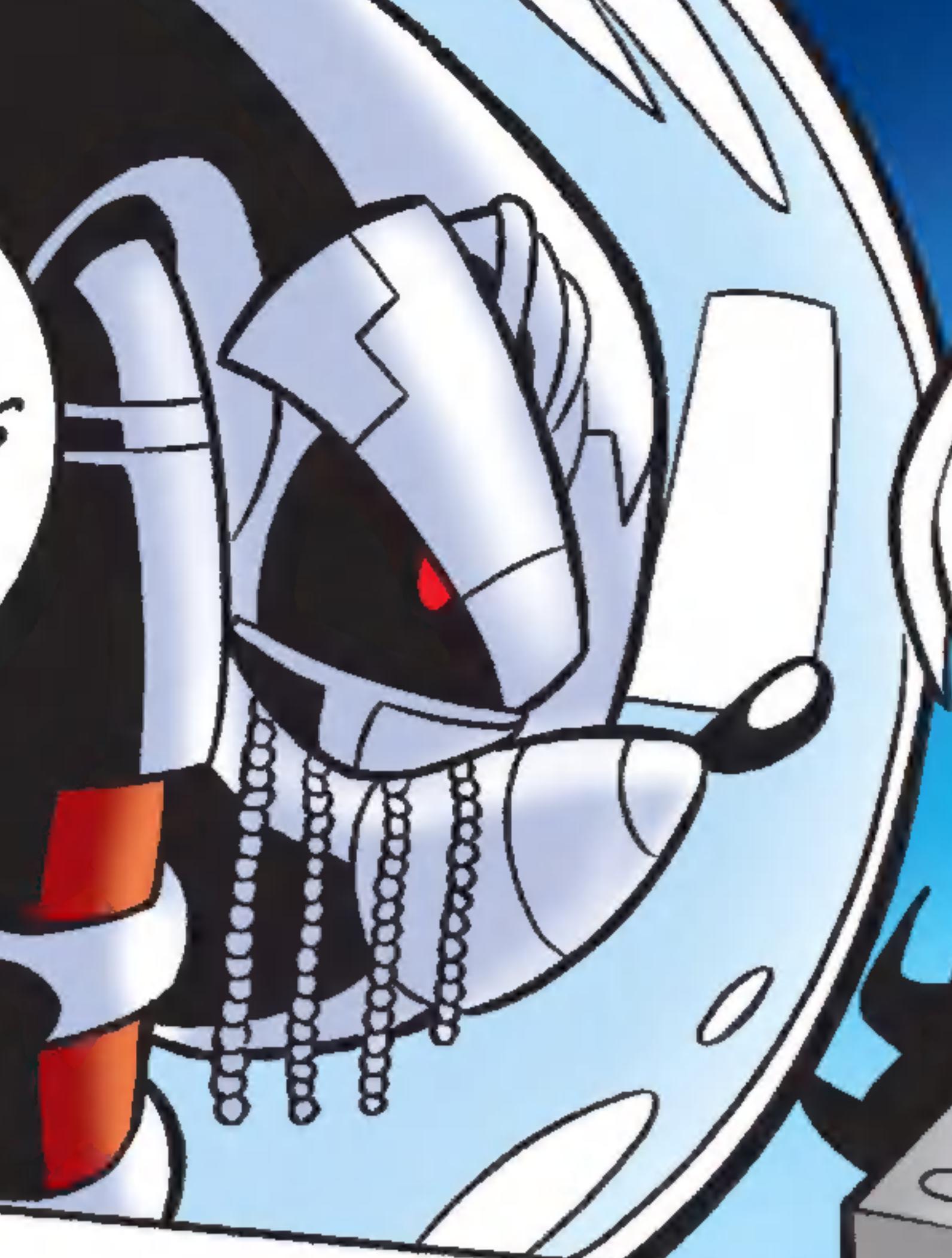
AS ENERJAK, I THOUGHT MYSELF UNSTOPPABLE. I WOULD HAVE CONQUERED ALL OF MOBIUS!



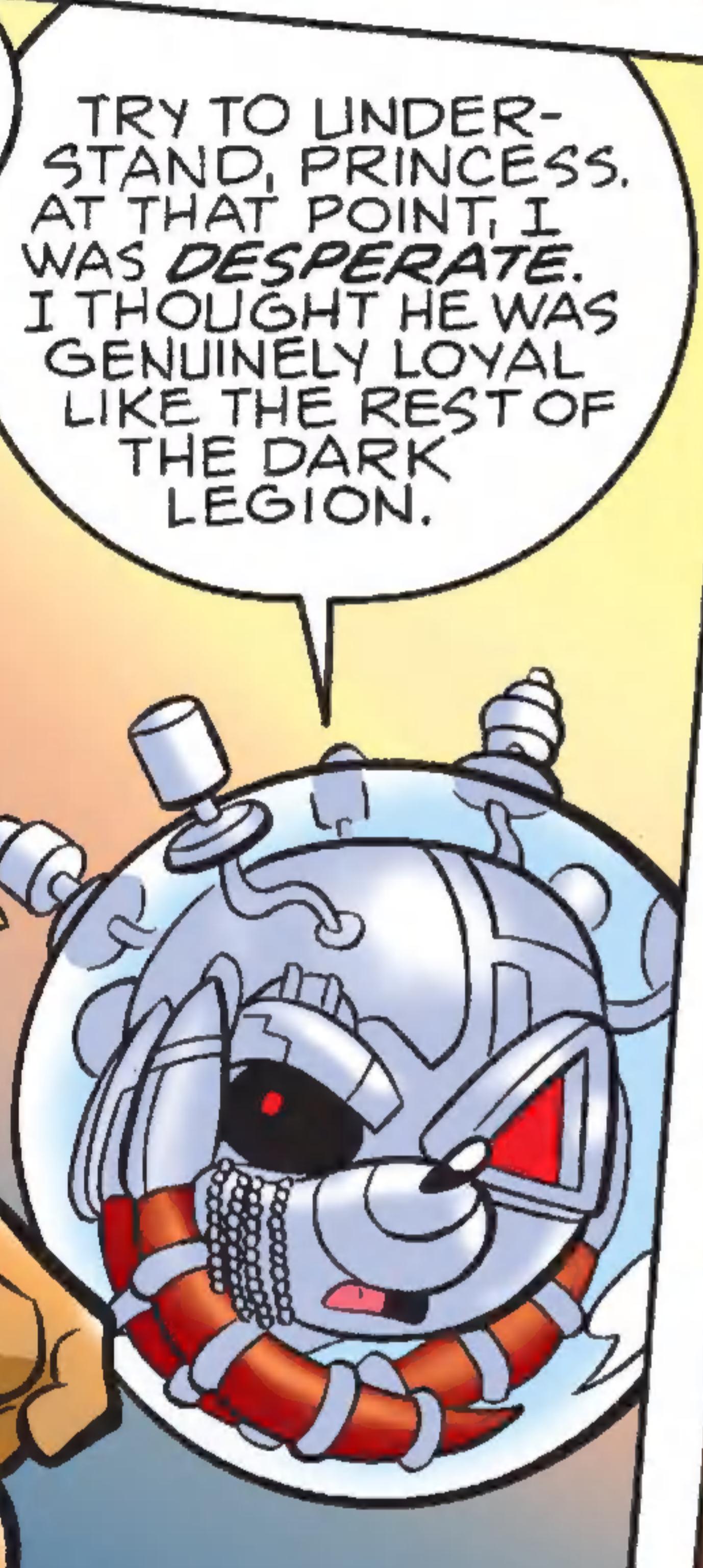
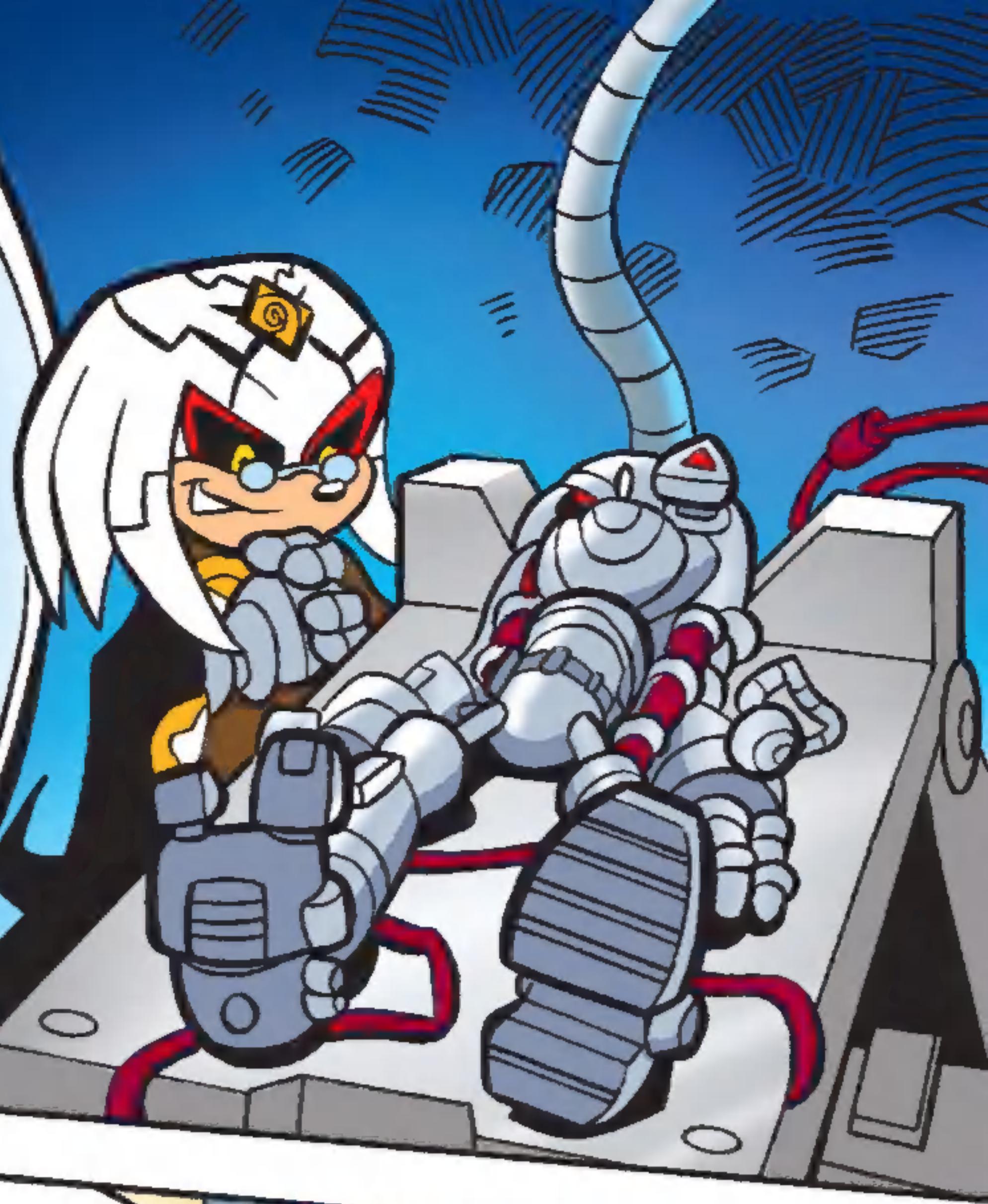
...BUT MY POWER WAS STOLEN. CENTURIES OF AGING CAUGHT UP WITH ME. I WAS NEARLY UNDONE...



UNTIL THE DARK LEGION RESCUED ME WITH THEIR CYBERNETIC PROCESSES.

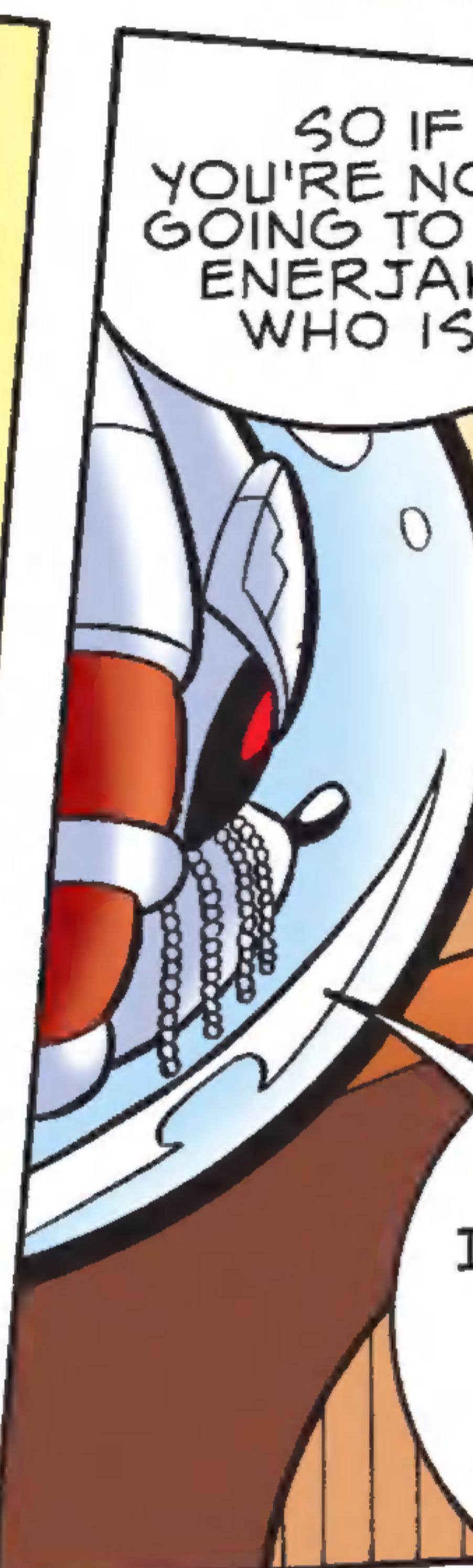


IT WAS NOT A
PERFECT SOLUTION,
HOWEVER. WITH MY
LIFE STILL EBBING AWAY,
I ALLOWED DR. FINITEVUS
TO DISASSEMBLE ME IN
HOPES OF FINDING A WAY
TO RETURN ME TO MY
FORMER POWER.



AND YOU
TRUSTED
HIM WITH
YOUR
LIFE?

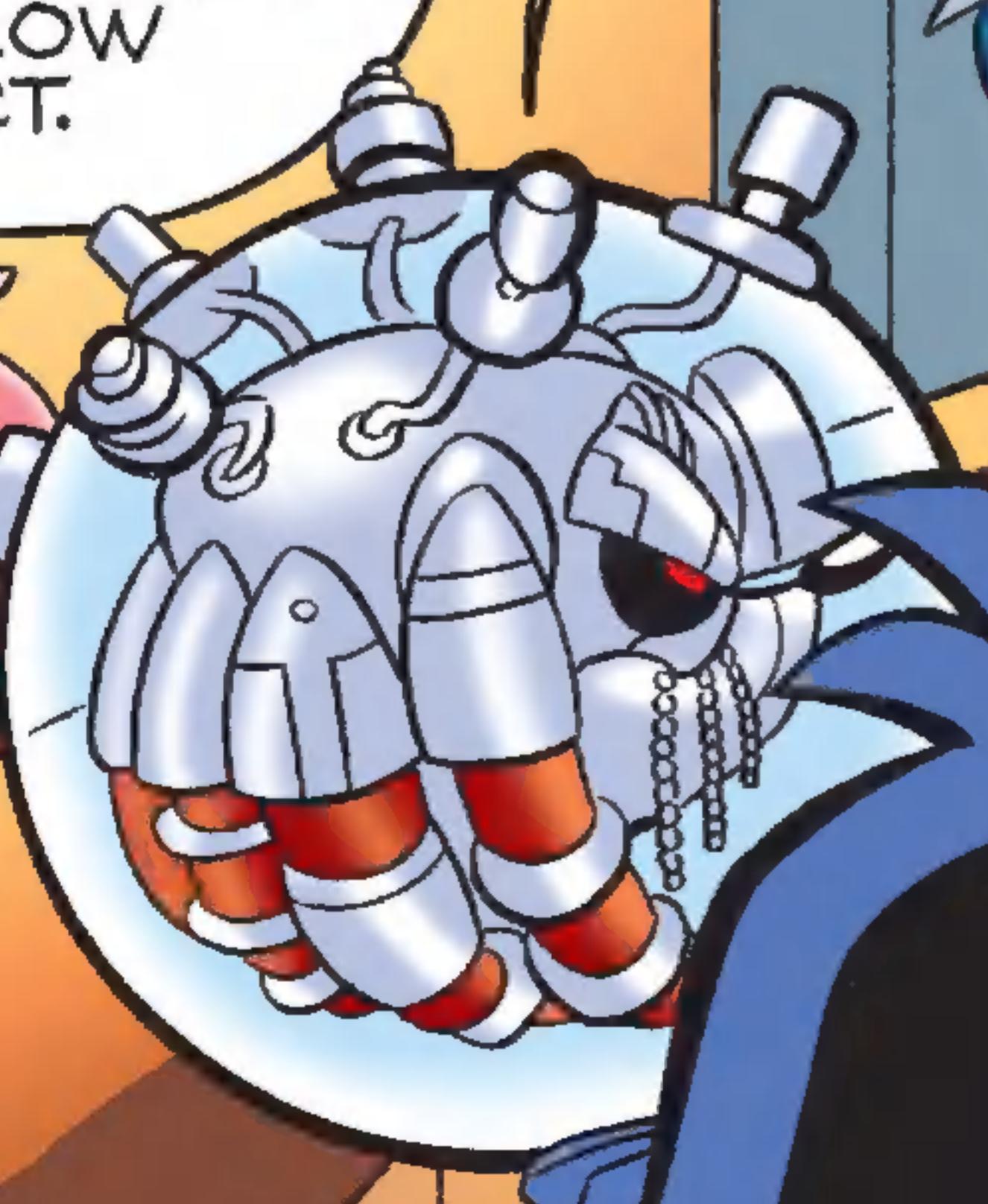
TRY TO UNDER-
STAND, PRINCESS.
AT THAT POINT, I
WAS *DESPERATE*.
I THOUGHT HE WAS
GENUINELY LOYAL
LIKE THE REST OF
THE DARK
LEGION.



SO IF
YOU'RE NOT
GOING TO BE
ENERJAK,
WHO IS?



I DO
NOT KNOW,
SIR CHARLES.
I CAME LOOKING
FOR AID THE
MOMENT I
REALIZED
FINITEVUS HAD
BETRAYED ME.



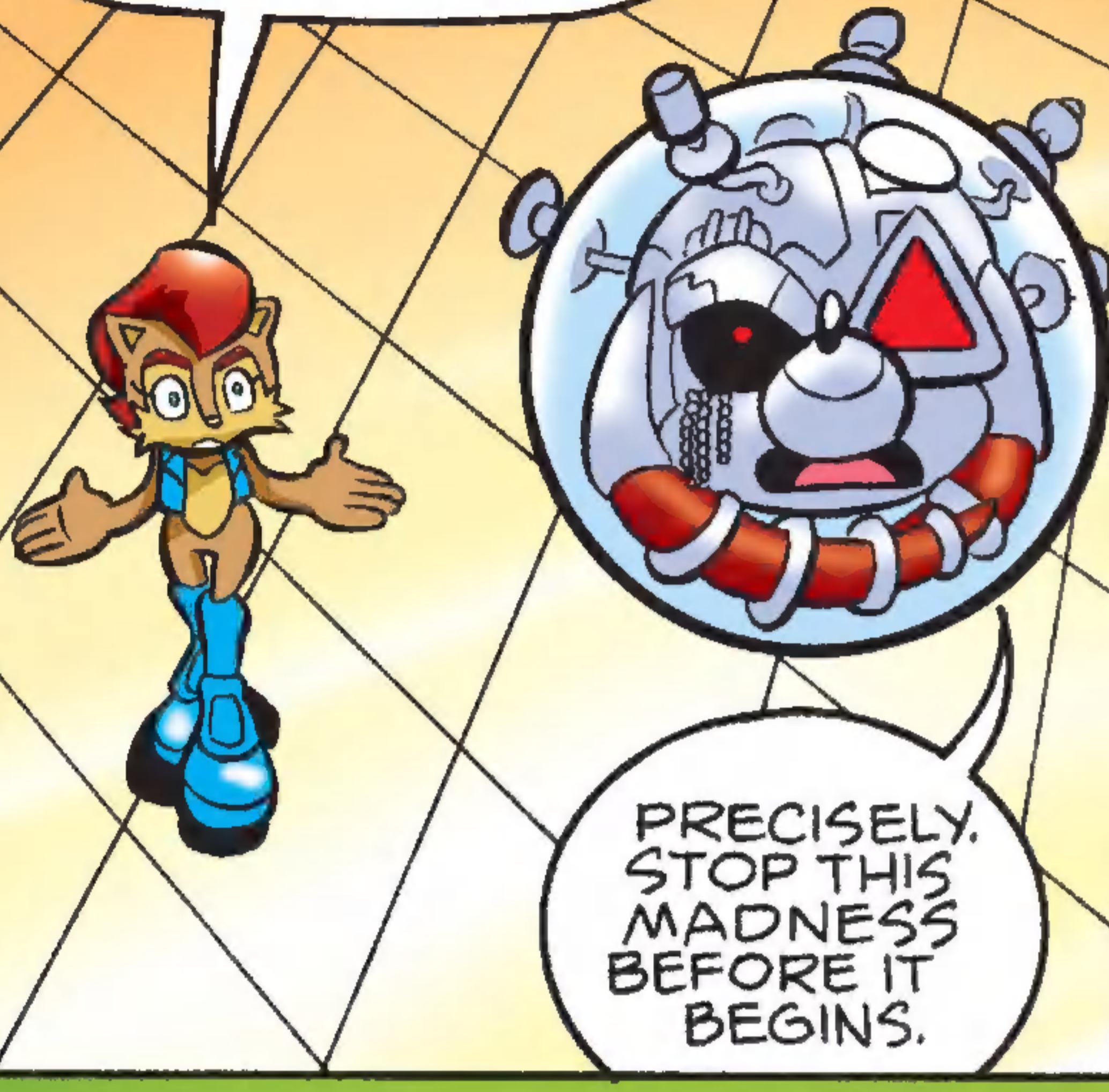
YET, I HADN'T
ANTICIPATED THAT
THE LAST BASTION
OF "FREEDOM"
ON MOBIUS WOULD
BE SO SLOW
TO ACT.



MY FIRST
CONCERN IS
MY PEOPLE.
WE'RE NOT
GOING TO
RUSH TO ARMS
WITHOUT
A SOLID
PLAN.

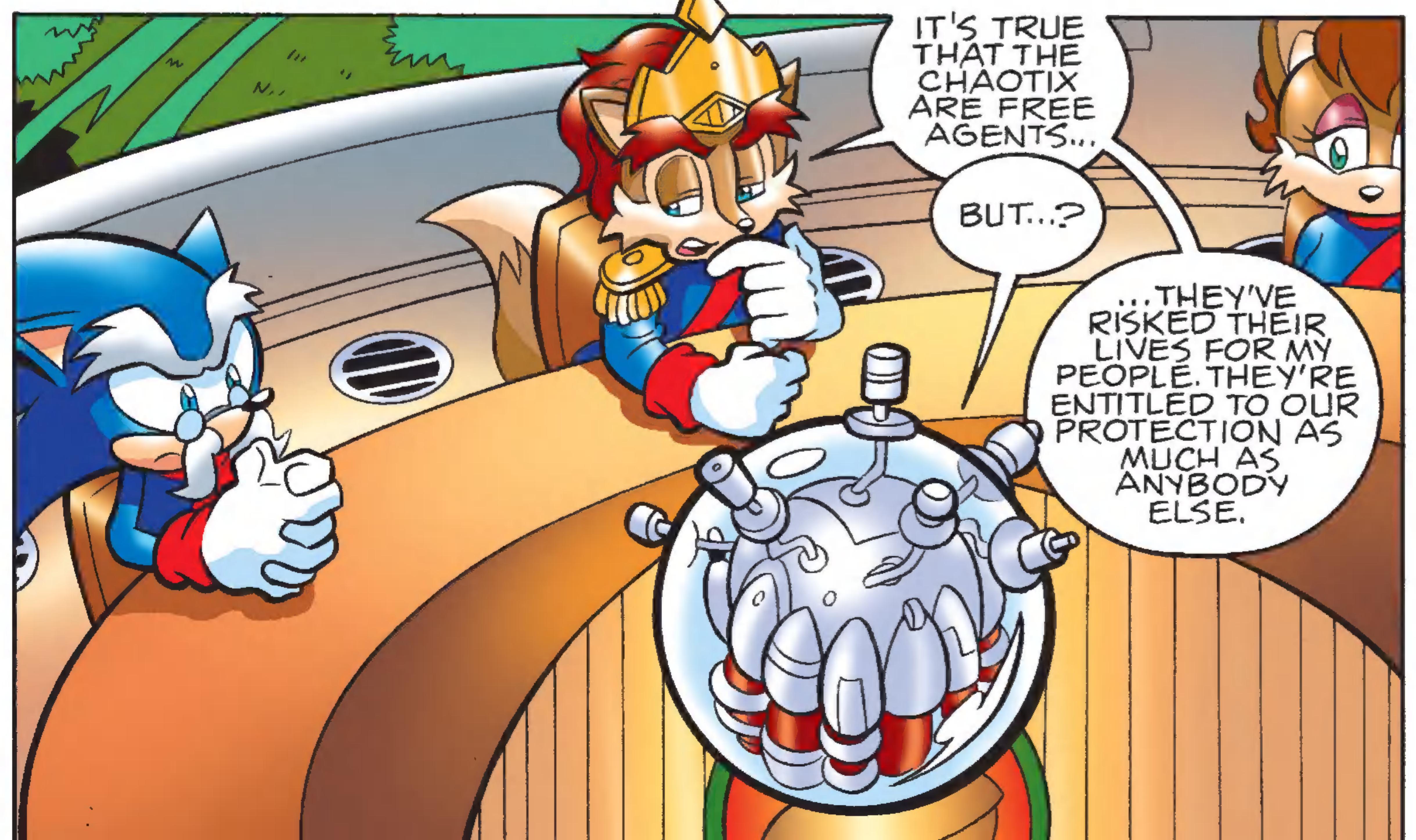
AS A FIELD LEADER,
I CAN TELL YOU THAT
THE FREEDOM FIGHTERS
ARE READY AND WILL-
ING TO GO TO ANGEL
ISLAND AT A MOMENT'S
NOTICE.

BUT LIKE KING ELIAS SAID,
WE DON'T WANT YOU GOING
WITHOUT EVERY ADVANTAGE.
WE CAN ONLY SPREAD
NICOLE AND HER
NANITES SO THIN.



DYLAN, WHO SAYS
WE NEED TO BE
PROTECTED--?

THEN SEND
THE CHAOTIX.
THEY CLAIM
ANGEL ISLAND AS
THEIR HOME.



HEY,
JULIE-SU?
IT DOESN'T SOUND
LIKE THE COUNCIL
IS GONNA LET
US LOOK FOR
KNUCKLES.

I THOUGHT
AS MUCH.

KEEP AT IT UNTIL
DIMITRI LEAVES,
THEN COME BACK
TO US.

BAD
NEWS?

ONLY
FOR THEM,
MIGHTY.

JULIE-SU...

I KNOW THE
CHAOTIX ARE
YOUR TEAM,
VECTOR. I'LL
GO ALONE IF
I HAVE TO!

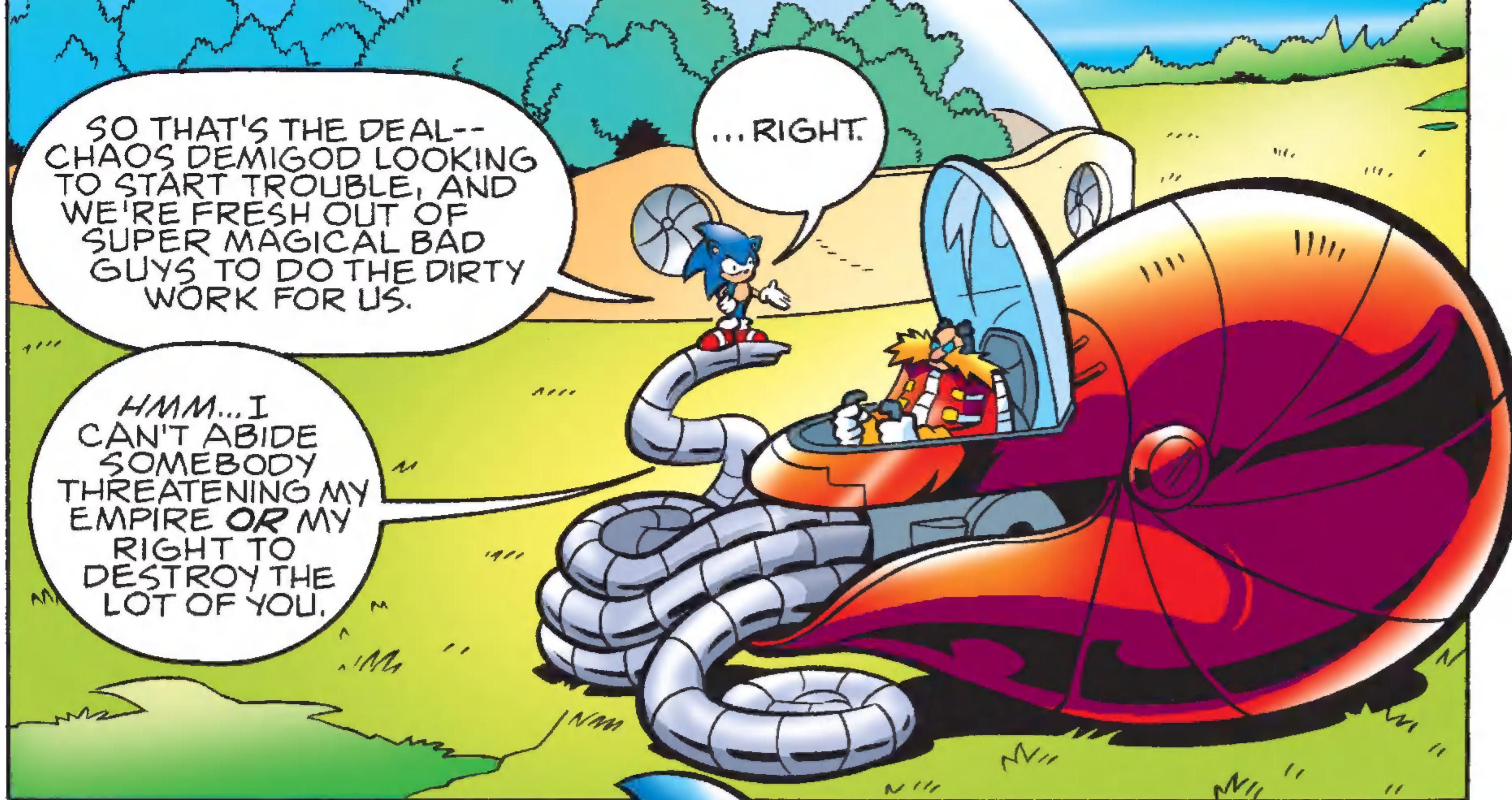
CHILL OUT!
WE'RE WITH YOU
ON THIS ONE!

KNUCKLES
LEFT FOR ANGEL
ISLAND AND HASN'T
CHECKED IN YET.* NOW
WE'RE TOLD ENERJAK--
KNUCKLES' WORST
ENEMY--IS COMING
BACK. AND THEY WANT
US TO STAY HERE
WHERE IT'S "SAFE"...?

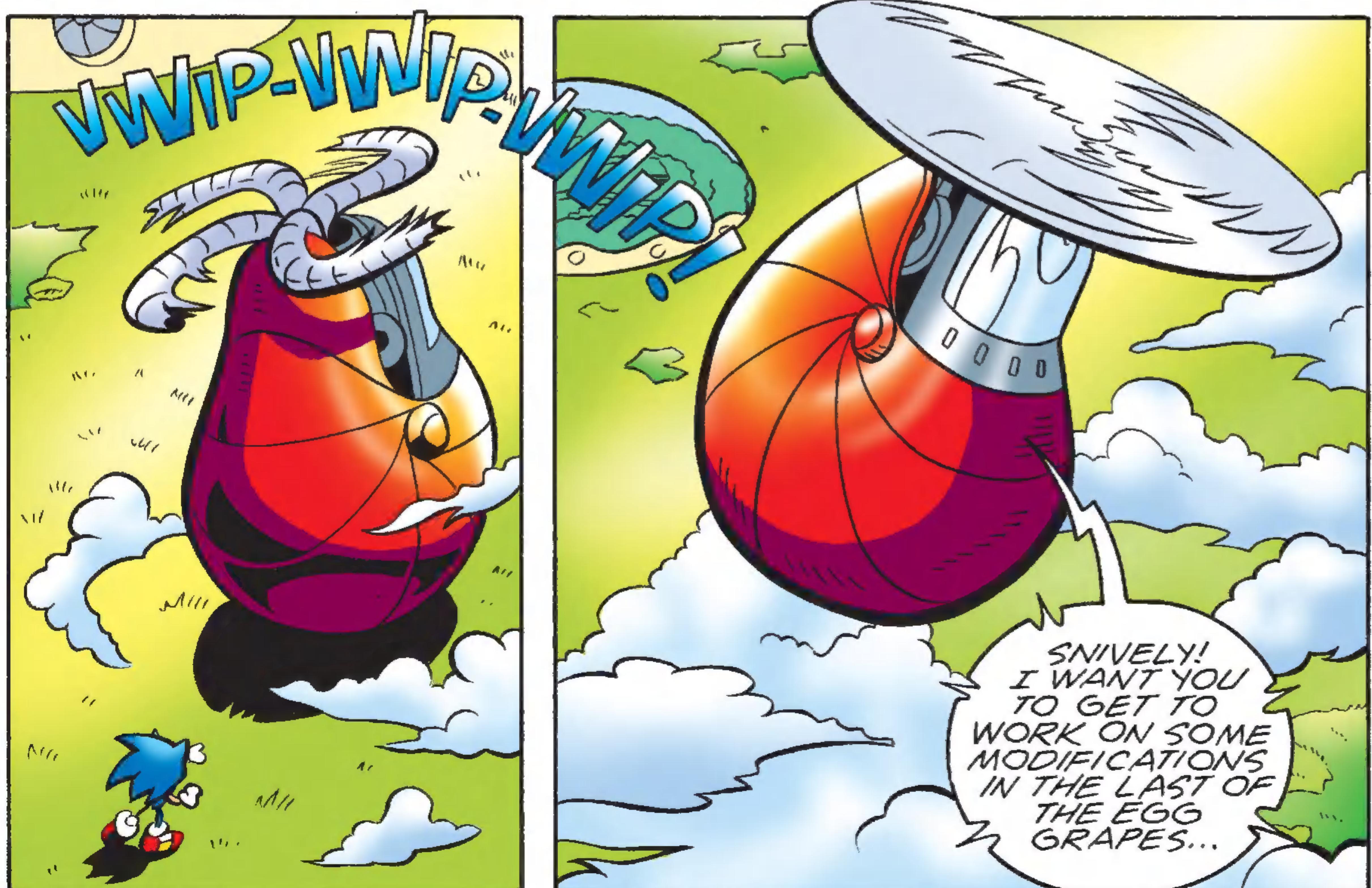
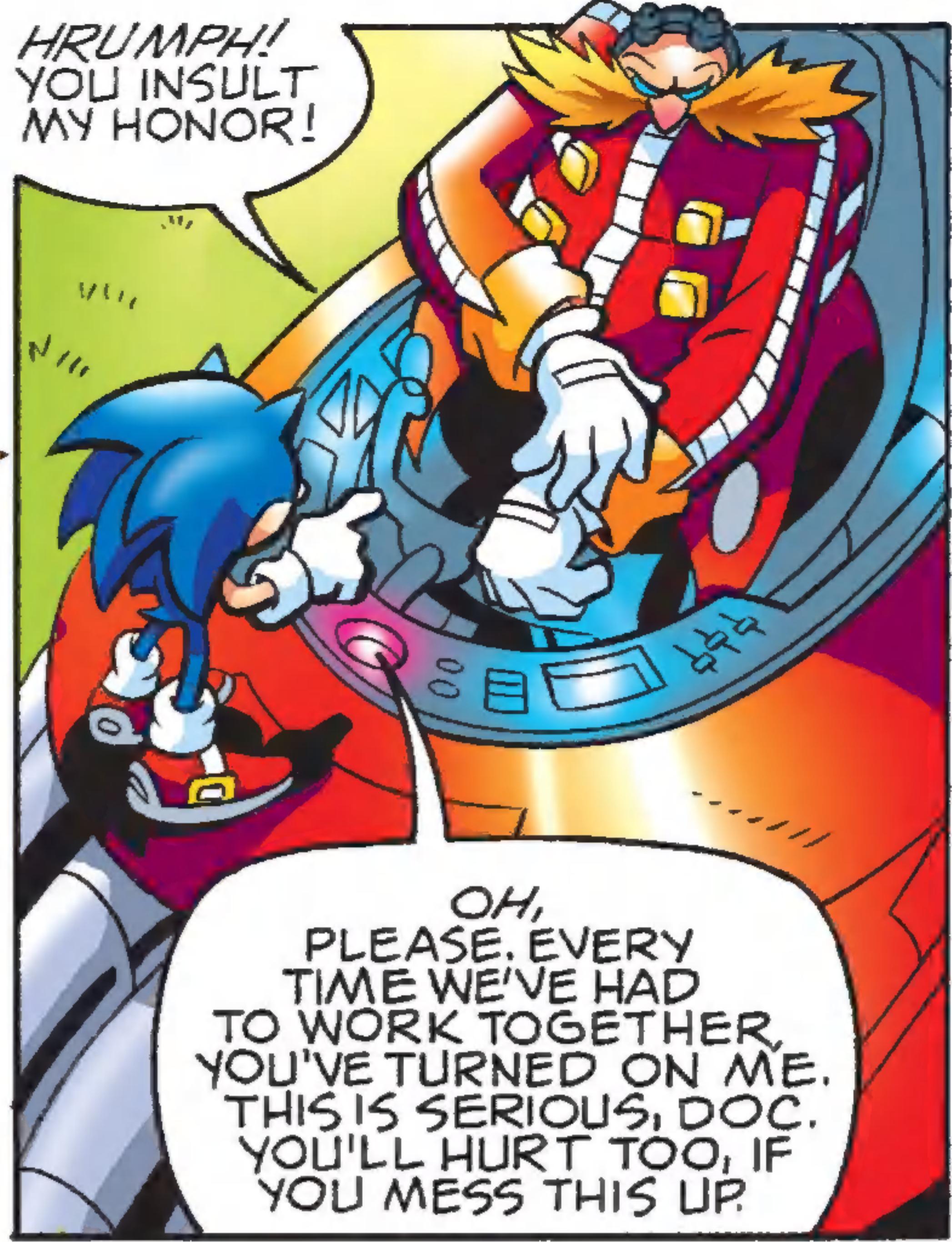
*BACK
IN 5TH
178.

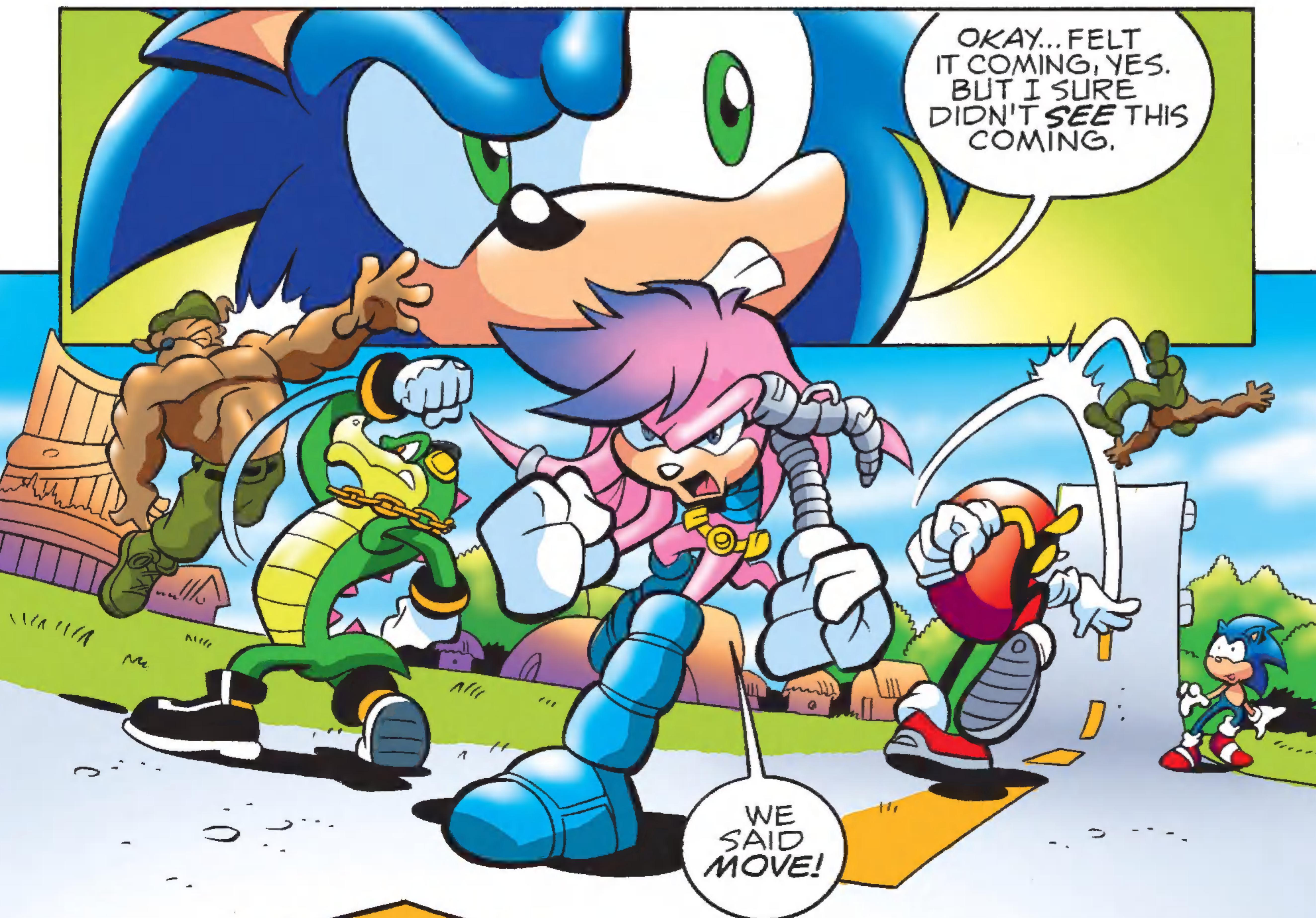
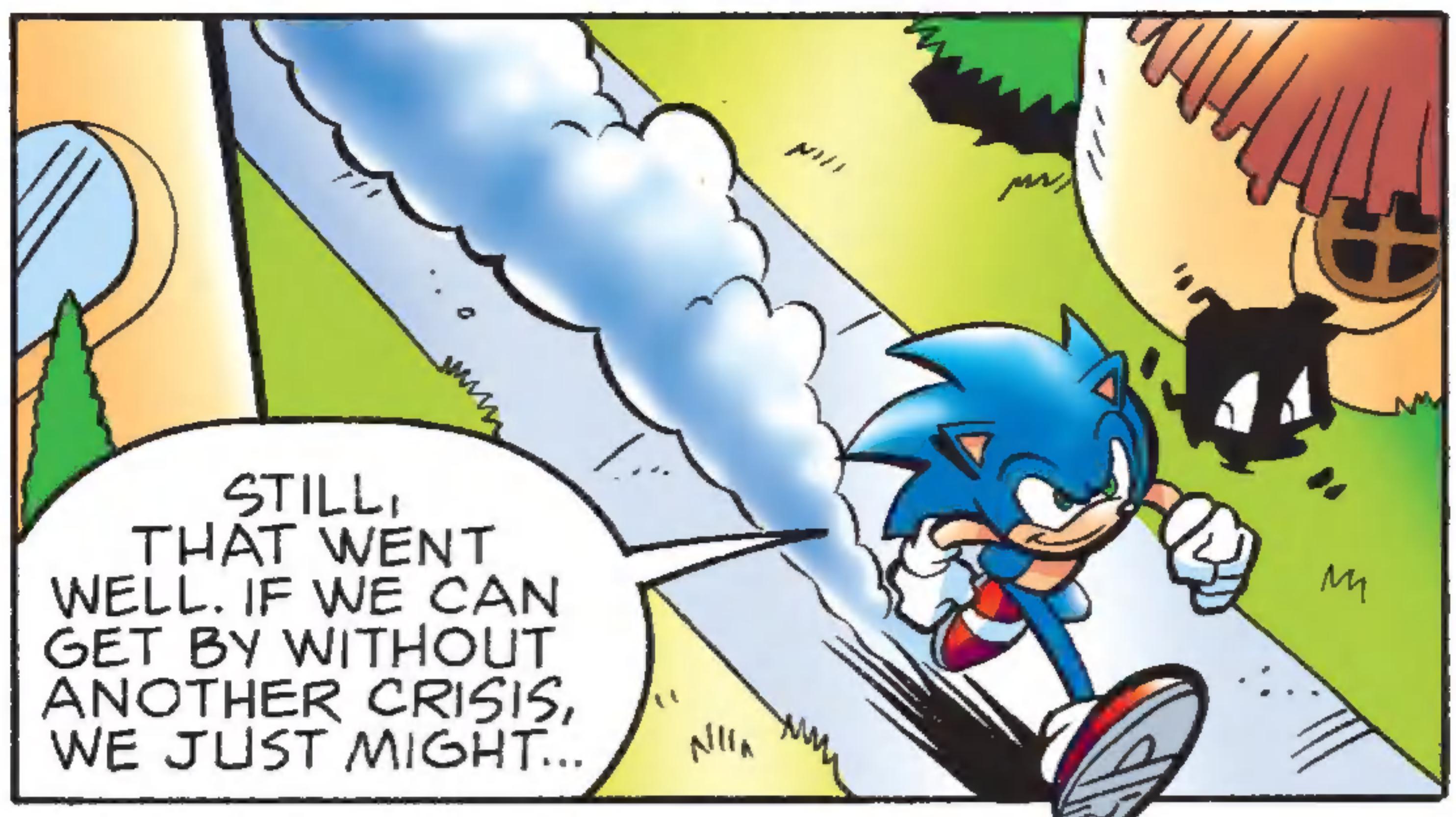
ALL
RIGHT, THEN.
LET'S GO
GRAB A
FLIGHT.





UH-HUH. AND
LET'S TRY TO
AVOID THE
BACK-STABBING
THIS TIME
...OKAY?







MEANWHILE, IT LOOKS LIKE THE FLAME AND FROST LEGIONS HAVE CAUGHT ON. THEY'VE STOPPED FIGHTING EACH OTHER AND DECIDED TO ATTACK BEFORE YOU FINISH... WHATEVER YOU'RE DOING DOWN THERE.

HMPH. TWO ARMIES ARE NOTHING COMPARED TO THE POWER I'M ABOUT TO UNLEASH.



DEFEND THE ECHIDNAS-- OR DON'T. IT DOESN'T MATTER AT THIS POINT. I'M ALMOST READY...



WE'VE GOT NO STANDING ORDERS. I'M GOING TO CHILL OUT AND ENJOY THE SHOW.



"THIS 'ENERJAK'
BETTER BE WORTH
THE HASSLE."

GUYS...LIKE I
JUST GOT FINISHED
TELLING ROBOTNIK
...WE JUST DON'T
NEED THIS RIGHT
NOW!

I WANT TO
GET INTO
ACTION AS
MUCH AS YOU
GUYS, BUT EVEN
I CAN SEE WE
NEED A
SOLID PLAN
FIRST.

AND US FIGHTING
LIKE THIS IS ONLY GOING
TO GIVE ENERJAK AN
EDGE THAT WE CAN'T
AFFORD TO GIVE UP.

SO LET'S CUT
OUT THE FIGHTING,
PLEASE? 'KAY?
THANKS.

STUFF IT,
SONIC!

KNUCKLES IS OUT THERE AND NEEDS OUR HELP!


YEAH, BUT--

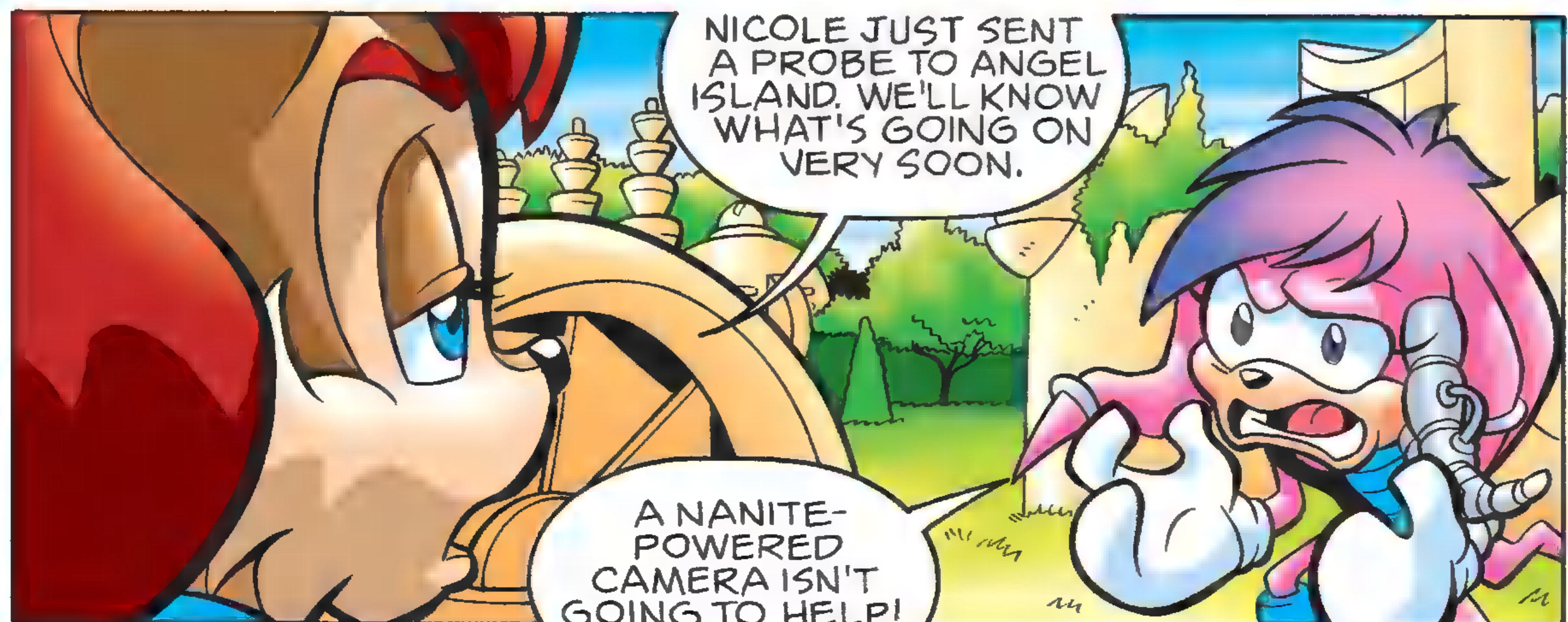
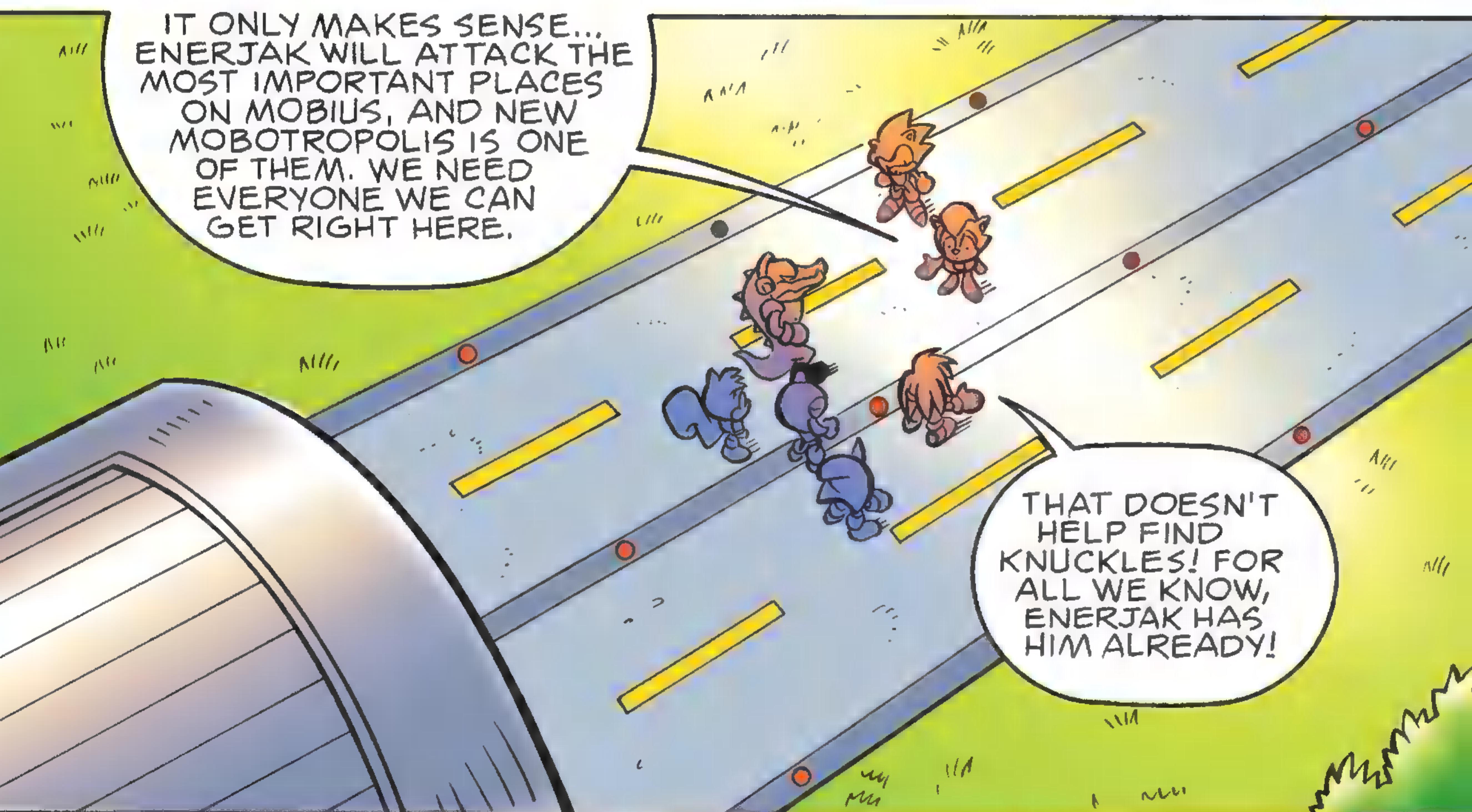
AND NOW THE COUNCIL WANTS TO KEEP US TRAPPED HERE WHILE-- OW!

YOU TALK ABOUT "UNITY," BUT NOBODY IS FREE TO DO ANYTHING WITHOUT YOUR SAY-SO. I THOUGHT WE WERE YOUR FRIENDS, NOT YOUR PET MERCENARIES.

GAH!

YOU GOT ME THERE, 'SU. I DON'T THINK IT'S A GOOD IDEA, BUT I'M NOT GOING TO FIGHT YOU GUYS OVER IT ANYMORE.



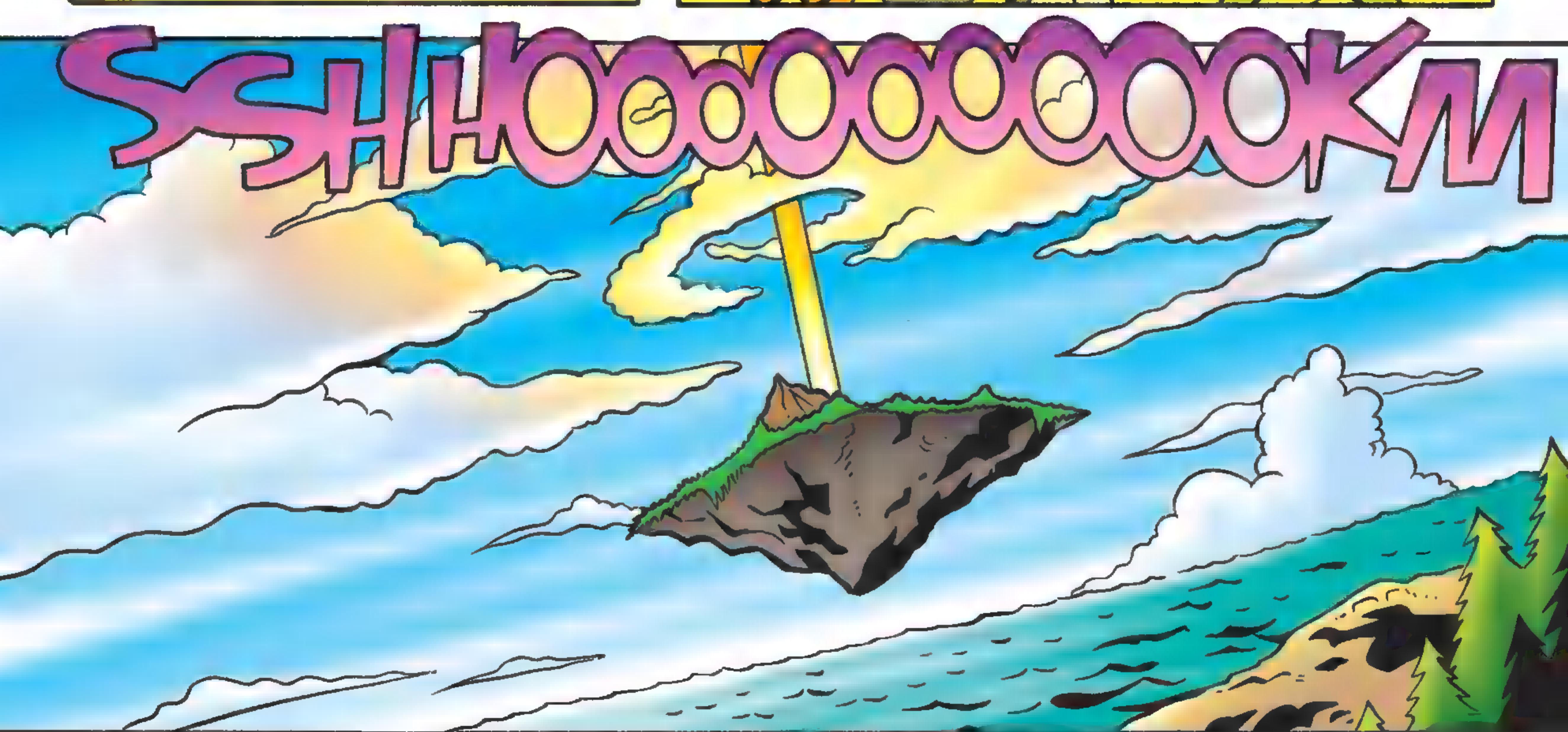
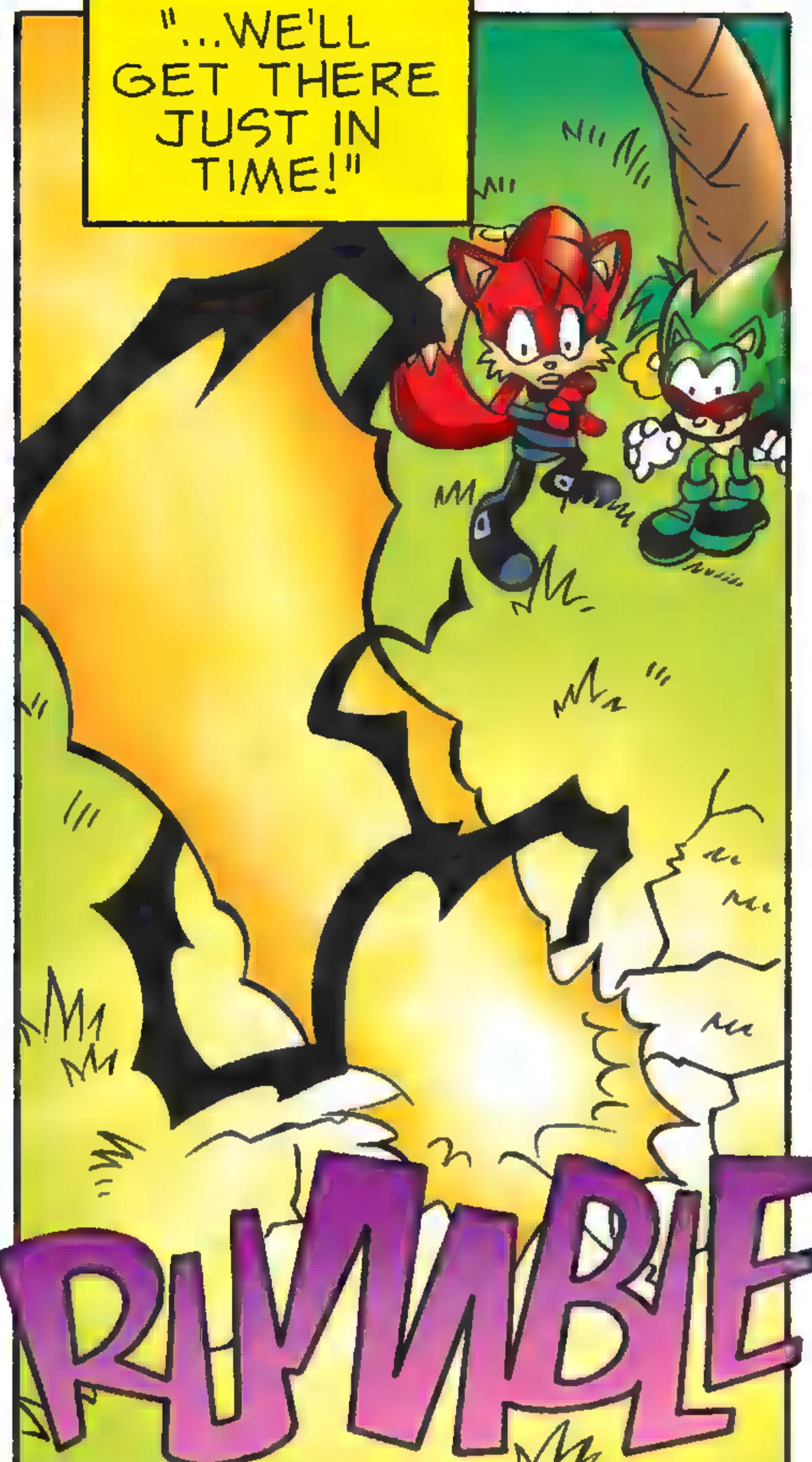




"...WE'LL
GET THERE
JUST IN
TIME!"

HERE YOU GO,
GENIUS. YOU
WANTED TO
ENJOY THE
SHOW.

SO SHUT UP
ALREADY BEFORE
I MISS SOME-
THING.





You HAVE to come back next month as the epic battle begins with
“ENERJAK: REBORN!”
FIND OUT WHO IS ENERJAK IN SONIC THE HEDGEHOG#181!

MEANWHILE, ON ANOTHER DAY
AND ANOTHER ADVENTURE...

URGH...
TAILS?

OOOOGH...
I'M HERE,
SONIC.

SONIC RUSH ADVENTURE™

HIGH STAKES ON THE HIGH SEA

COOL.
THEN THE NEXT
QUESTION IS --

-- WHERE IS
"HERE?"

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ONE LOUSY
STORM AND WE'RE
THROWN COMPLETELY
OFF-COURSE.

AT LEAST
WE'RE IN ONE
PIECE.

AHOY
THERE!

YOU GUYS
TOOK A NASTY FALL.
GOOD PULSE.

DID YOU
SWALLOW ANY
SEAWATER?

NO?

GOOD.
THAT STUFF
IS NASTY.

YOU TWO PASS
WITH A CLEAN BILL OF
HEALTH. NOW COME ON,
ME SWABBIES! YOUR
CAPTAIN IS SETTING SAIL
FOR ADVENTURE!



YEAH, NO.
HOLD ON
A SECOND.

EEK!
MUTINY!

LISTEN, KIDDIO,
WE'RE KIND OF LOST
AT THE MOMENT, AND WE
DON'T EVEN KNOW WHO
YOU ARE SO . . .

YOU'RE ON
SEAGULL ISLAND!
MY NAME IS MARINE
AND I AM YOUR CAPTAIN
AND YOU'RE ON MY
CREW NOW.



NOW, LET'S
SHOVE OFF!
TO ADVENTURE!

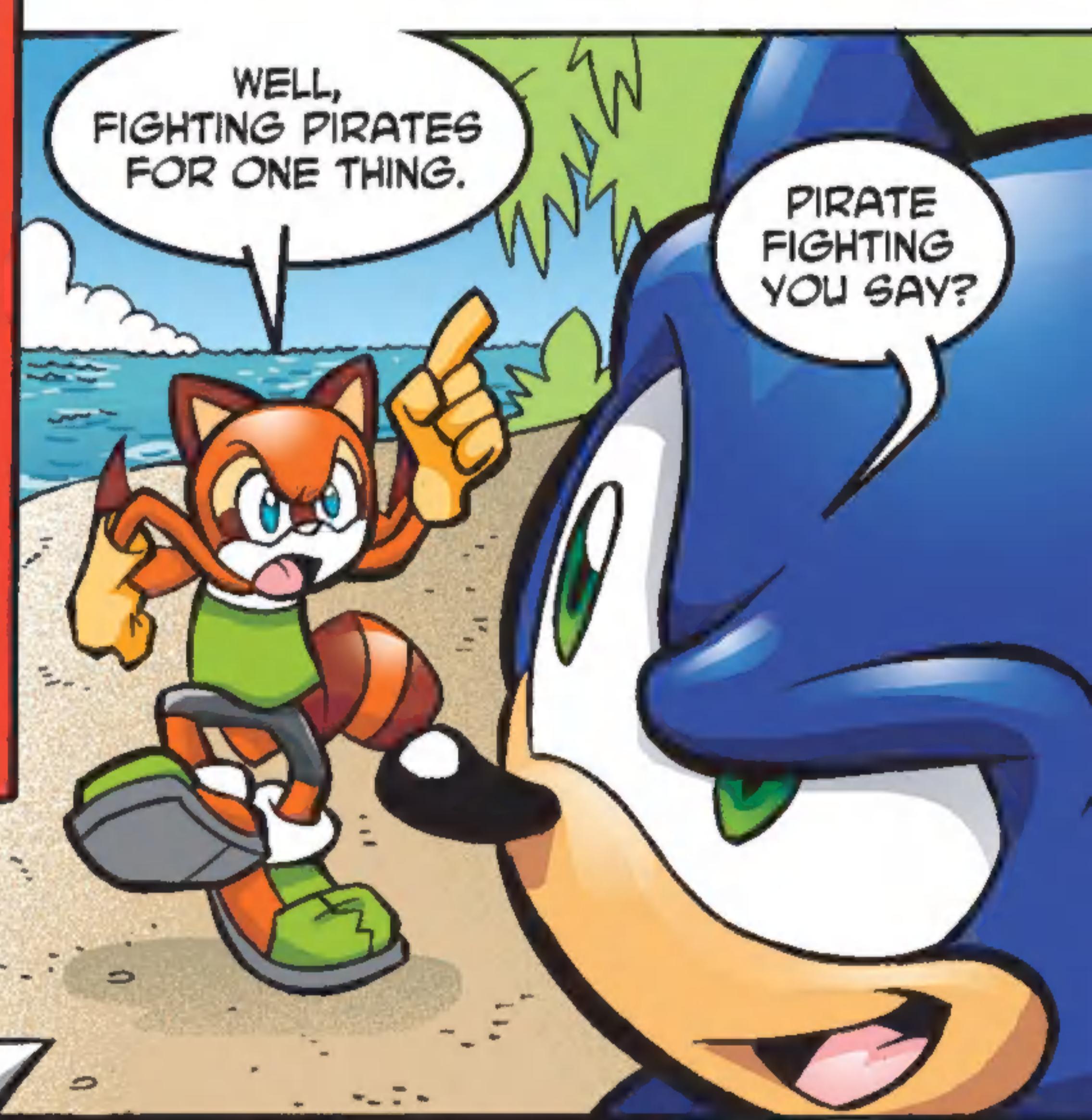
YOU HAVE FUN
WITH THAT. LET'S SEE
HOW BAD THE PLANE
IS, TAILS.

WELL... UM...
WHAT KIND OF
ADVENTURE?

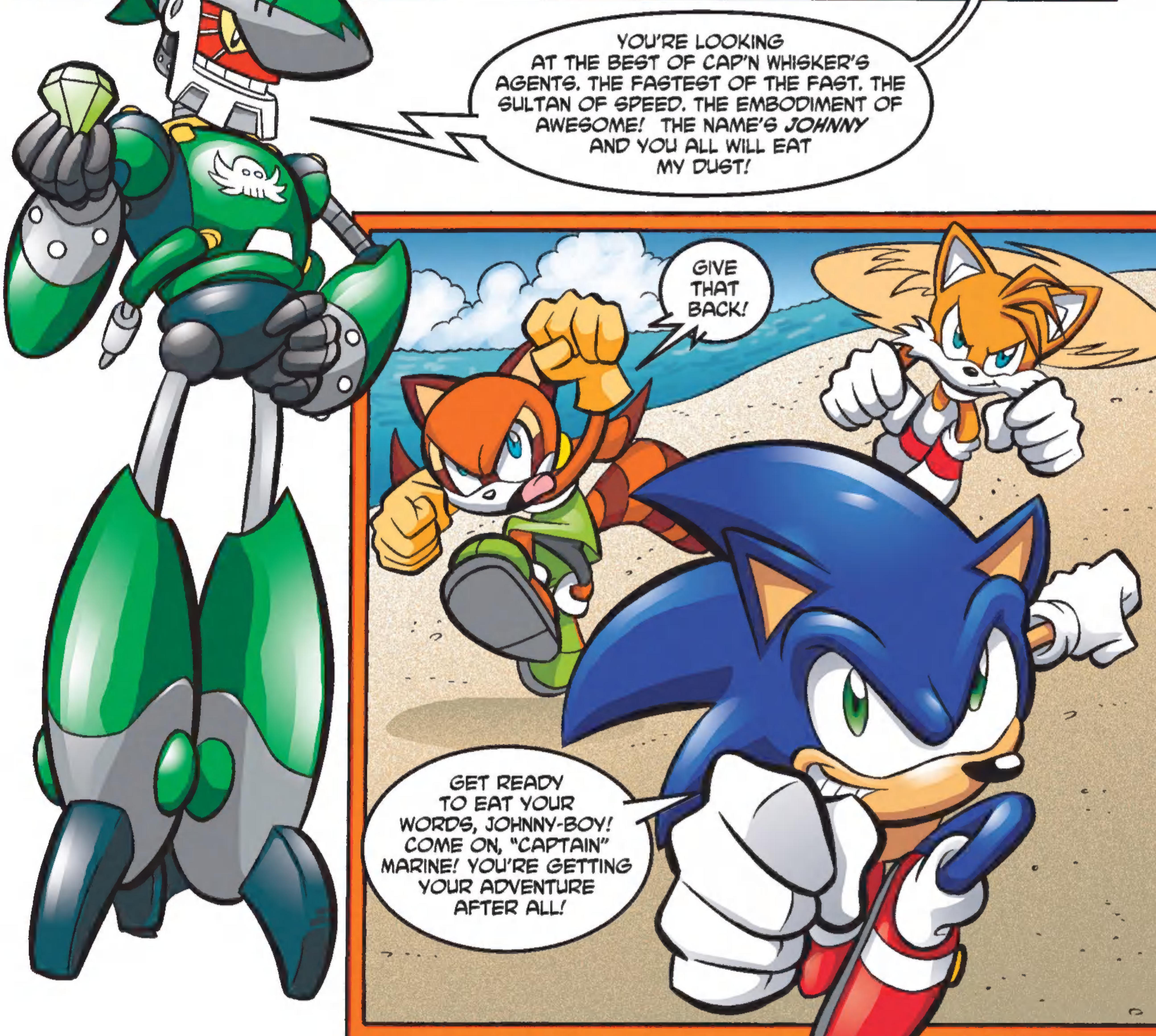
WELL,
FIGHTING PIRATES
FOR ONE THING.

PIRATE
FIGHTING
YOU SAY?

JUST A FEW DAYS AGO,
A NASTY GROUP OF PIRATES
CAME TO THE ISLAND. THEY'VE BEEN
LOOTING THE ISLAND IN THEIR
SEARCH FOR TREASURE!







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Find out how this exciting epic ends in **SONIC RUSH 2** for **NINTENDO DS**!

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Find out who is **ENERJAK** in **SONIC THE HEDGEHOG #181**

